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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Jeff DeWitt
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DATE: November 14, 2014

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – “Omnibus Health Regulation Technical Amendments Act of 2014”

REFERENCE: Bill 20-916, Draft Committee Print shared with the Office of Revenue Analysis on November 3, 2014

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2015 through FY 2018 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

This bill contains technical amendments to the Omnibus Health Regulation Amendment Act of 2013¹. It makes² the following changes:

- Allows athletic trainers to diagnose physical disabilities and rehabilitate injuries from concussions;
- broadens the definitions of “athletic trainers” and “treatment:”
- creates a three-person Advisory Committee on Athletic Trainers under the Board of Medicine;
- requires the Board of Medicine to regulate athletic training;
- increases the membership of the Board of Physical Therapy from 7 to 10; and
- waives education requirements for audiology and speech language pathology licensure for some applicants.

¹ D.C. Law 20-96, effective March 26, 2014.

² By amending the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-99; D.C. Official Code § 3-1201.01 *et seq.*).

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Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2015 through FY 2018 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. The Department of Health can implement the bill using its existing resources.